

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES OF THE FORT BERTHOLD INDIAN RESERVATION

A Resolution entitled, "Authorizing the MHA Nation to join the Intertribal Assessment and Quantification Commission (ITAQC)"

- WHEREAS, The Mandan Hidatsa and Arikara Nation ("Nation" or "Tribes") having accepted the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934 ("IRA"), and the authority under said Act and having adopted a Constitution and By-Laws pursuant to said Act; and
- WHEREAS, The Constitution of the Nation generally authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to engage in activities on behalf of and in the interest of the welfare and benefit of the Tribes and of the enrolled members thereof; and
- WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1 of the Constitution of the Nation provides that the Tribal Business Council is the governing body of the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 5(c) of the Constitution of the Nation specifically authorizes and empowers the Tribal Business Council to administer funds within the exclusive control of the Tribes and to make expenditures from available Tribal funds for public purposes for the Tribes; and
- WHEREAS, The Business Council desires to quantify the Tribes' reserved water rights, including but not limited to working with the Department of Interior, Army Corps of Engineers and any other governmental agency necessary to acquire temporary storage rights for water from Lake Sakakawea and in Garrison Dam for the Tribe to utilize for development occurring within the boundaries of the Tribe's Reservation and for any other uses as the Tribal Business Council may determine; and
- WHEREAS, The Tribal Business Council desires to seek full, final, and just compensation for the damages visited on the Tribe by the Pick-Sloan Project; and
- WHEREAS, The Intertribal Assessment and Quantification Commission (ITAQC) was organized in May 2013 as a collation of Missouri River Indian tribes who were adversely impacted by the Pick-Sloan Project; and
- WHEREAS, The ITAQC was organized to create studies, reports, recommendations, propose legislation and advocate for such legislation to (1) secure form Congress full, final, and fair compensation to Missouri River Tribes for economic losses resulting from the Pick-Sloan Project and (2) secure from Congress full and complete settlement of the Missouri River Tribes' water rights; and



- WHEREAS, The ITAQC will adopt an organizational document, attached hereto, that provides an organizational structure for the Commission and that will govern ITAQC activities, and that is subject to amendment by the ITAQC; and
- WHEREAS, The ITAQC structure calls for varying memberships based on tribal size and land loss as well as water quantification claims; and
- WHEREAS, The Business Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the MHA Nation to formally join the ITAQC and supports the purpose and goals of the ITAQC as outlined herein.
- **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** The Tribal Business Council agrees to join the ITAQC and the Tribal Business Council adopts this resolution in that regard; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOVLED, the Tribal Business Council appoints (1) <u>Chairman Tex G.</u> <u>Hall</u> (2) <u>Councilman Randy Phelan</u> (3) <u>Councilman L. Ken Hall</u> Elder Advisors: (4) <u>John Danks</u> and (5) <u>Gail Baker</u> as its representative to the ITAQC, to participate in ITAQC meetings and subcommittees, and to report to the Tribal Business Council on ITAQC's progress and the deliverables produced by the ITAQC.
- **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, The Tribal Chairman is hereby authorized to take such action as is necessary to have the MHA Nation join ITAQC as a full member, and to otherwise carry out the terms and intent of this Resolution.



CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary of the Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation hereby certify that the Tribal Business Council is composed of seven (7) members of whom five (5) constitute a quorum, $\underline{7}$ were present at a Regular Meeting thereof duly called, noticed, convened and held on the $\underline{13}^{\text{th}}$ day of <u>August</u>, 2013, that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at such meeting by the affirmative vote of $\underline{7}$ members, $\underline{0}$ members opposed, $\underline{0}$ members abstained, $\underline{0}$ members not voting, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or amended in any way.

Chairman [X] Voting. [] Not Voting.

Dated this <u>13th day of August</u>, 2013.

Tribal Secretary, V. Judy Brugh Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes

ATTEST:

Tribal Chairman, Tex G. Hall Tribal Business Council Three Affiliated Tribes